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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

EDITOR OF THE COMPILER.

WILLIAM A. PORTER, of Philadelphia.

WESTLEY FRIST, of Fayette county.

Bank of Chambersburg.—Peterson's

Detector says: "Beware of a new and

dangerous counterfeit \$10 bill that has

just been put in circulation. It is an

imitation of the genuine, and is exceedingly

well done. Better advise any

new looking note of this denomination,

as it is difficult to distinguish between

the genuine and counterfeit."

York County Fair.—The Annual Ex-

hibition of the York County Agricultural

Society will be held on its grounds,

at York, on Wednesday, Thursday,

Friday and Saturday, the 6th, 7th, 8th

and 9th days of October next.

Anger of Business.—Last October

the daily receipts of the New York ex-

change-bureau, were from \$15,000 to \$20,

000, and during the following months

it increased to \$30,000, \$40,000 and

\$50,000. At this time the daily re-

ceipts are said to average \$140,000 a

day. This shows that the fall business

is likely to be quite active.

Ex-Governor Henry has not, as

many suppose, deserted the Democratic

party. He is a member of the Demo-

cratic Executive Committee of West-

moreland county, and was recently ap-

pointed one of the conferees to nomi-

nate a Democratic Legislative ticket in

the Westmoreland and Armstrong dis-

trict.

The Democrats all over the State

are quietly and effectively working for

the great principles which make the

country happy and prosperous. The spir-

it of concord and good feeling which has

been exhibited in the Democratic Coun-

ty Conventions which have been held,

shows that the party is a unit and will

sustain their nominees with a strong

and united effort, which cannot fail of

success. We have never known the

Democracy of the State in better spirits

than at the present time.

Knowing ones, of all parties,

look upon the nomination of Mr. Read

for Supreme Judge as rendering the

election of Judge Porter certain.

The remark is therefore that

the Democratic party is in favor of ex-

tending negro slavery. The man who

still repeat it know they are guilty of

unqualified slander. The Democracy

have been in power almost from the

foundation of the Government, and ev-

ery intelligent man knows there would

not be a single foot of free territory in

the Union to-day but for the labors of

the Democratic party. Democrats

should everywhere nail the obsolete

charge of their enemies, that they are

in favor of extending slavery, to the

counter.

The York Gazette comes to us

considerably enlarged and improved in

typographical appearance. The old

organ deserves a large patronage.

Property Sold in Tanquetown.—The

lumber stand, occupied and owned by

Thomas Jones, has been disposed of to

Samuel Linnah, for \$2,500, and the one

owned by John Reinhold, and occupied

by Wm. Fisher, to Samuel Bowers

for \$1,550. The purchasers we learn

will take possession in the spring.—

Westminster Democrat.

## The Opposition Convention.

A number of Know Nothings and Black Republicans, from several of the boroughs and townships of this county, met in the Court-house, on Monday last, for the purpose of fashioning out a ticket for the support of the "mongrels" at the fall election. Some of the townships—Germany, Conowing, Mountpleasant and Union—were not represented at all; whilst Franklin, Freedom and Liberty, had each but one "delegate" in the Convention. A number of the townships represented, we understand, had held no delegate elections.

Joseph Kepner was chosen President, Samuel Durbanow and Jacob King, Vice Presidents, and Wm. E. Walter and Alex. S. Himes Secretaries. The Convention was composed mainly of men who required what "distinction" they may possess through their services in the cause of proscriptive "Sam" and disunion "Sambo," and the ticket made up is of the sort we expected at the hands of such political politicians. It is intimated that the whole affair was "cut and dried" by the wire-pullers assembled at "head-quarters" before the meeting of the Convention—just to save that body the trouble of making selections!

The following gentlemen were declared the successful competitors for the empty honors of the nominations: Assembly—Samuel Durbanow, Mountjoy, Associate Judge—James Davis, Huntington, County Commissioner—Samuel Metzger, Berwick, Auditor—Samuel Herbet, Gettysburg, Auditor—John Brinkhoff, Stralburg, Edward McPherson recommended for Congress.

That this ticket is not calculated to inspire enthusiasm among any portion of its supporters, we can well believe. Indeed it is said that had as much been known to the delegates of several of the nominees before the Convention as after, the ticket would not be made up as it is. Some of its weak points are very weak.

After the Convention had endorsed the selections of the "managers," D. A. Buchler, Esq., read a long string of characteristic resolutions, with "humbug" sticking out from their beginning to their ending. For instance, after saying crushing things in regard to national "expenditures," "Kansas," and so on, the first resolution declares that "it is the solemn and imperative duty of all good citizens to unite, cordially and earnestly, without regard to former party differences, in a common effort to rescue the Government from the false position in which it has been placed, and to restore the purity and excellence of its early administration under the Fathers of the Republic."

That's precisely what these very tricksters profess to be desirous of doing when they started Know Nothingism—"to restore the purity and excellence of its early administration under the Fathers of the Republic"—but what was the result? Wherever dark lanternism got into power, extravagance, speculation, and fraud, with outrage and murder, were the order of the day—the like of which was never heard of before.

To say the least of it, the resolution is cool—too bare-faced to deceive the most shallow. The rest of the series are about ditto. All from the same source—which is sufficient comment.

The so-called "People's Party" is making a poor start of it in Adams county (as everywhere else). The REAL PEOPLE do not seem to desire that the wool should be pulled over their eyes at this particular juncture.

## Watch Them!

The Know Nothing and Black Republican leaders feel the weakness of their party in this county. They know that of itself, destitute of principle or political standing, not a morsel of the "spoils" can be secured. Their game, then, as indications already show, is to make a "dead set" at all Democrats whom they may consider "a little weak," and by misrepresentations and downright falsehoods, (as well as the increased circulation of their unprincipled newspapers,) turn enough in each of the townships to accomplish their purpose. Let every friend of the good cause of Democracy keep a circumspect eye on the minions of "Sam" and "Sambo" from this time until the election. No matter with what side-way and plausible appeals they may come, instantly bluff them.

## Doomed to Defeat.

The nominations of the late Opposition State Convention are received with anything but satisfaction by those who are expected to support them. Philadelphia is rebelling against them. Allegheny is dissatisfied. The central counties are swearing vengeance against Read and Frazer. Our own popular candidates, PORTER and FRAZER, from present indications, will sweep the State with large majorities.—Bedford Gazette.

The Passage of the Jew Bill.—After twelve years of anxious and obstinate controversy between the hereditary and elective branches of the British Parliament, the bill for the removal of the legislative disabilities of Jews has been passed, and ere this, has become a law. A Jew may now qualify by and vote in the House of Commons without being obliged to profess Christianity or take an objectionable oath.

Gen Harney has arrived at St. Louis.

Nothing definite of the Kansas election.

## Extravagance of the Administration.

The Baltimore Republican says that any charge of prodigality or extravagance against that part of the Government is notoriously unjust, and it requires a vast amount of impudence or ignorance to utter such a charge.—Drowning men will catch at straws, and the desperate and sinking leaders and lingers-on of Know Nothingism and Black Republicanism are silly enough to think they can humbug the people by this cuckoo cry. It won't do. The people are too well informed to be cheated by such idle clamor.

The records of Congress are accessible to all, and they will show that these very clamorers about extravagance are the guilty parties—that the Abolition and Know Nothing members of Congress voted for the extravagant expenditures and doubled their own pay and perquisites, and thus impoverished the treasury, which they now desire to charge upon the Administration. We are glad that this cry has been started, for the records will prove that the Administration is free from blame, and that the charge rests exclusively against the legislative branch of the Government.

We expect to publish in our next, an article from the Washington Union, on the "extravagance" of the Administration, in which the details of the appropriations are clearly given. The Star people may find that nut hard to crack.

## What is the Matter?

The Harrising Patriot and Union says, a Republican meeting was held at Wellsboro', Tioga county, on the 21st ult., which was addressed by Wilnot, Grow and Williston. These speakers, who are all afflicted with the most malignant form of negro-phobia, of course discoursed the horrors of slavery and declaimed against the monstrous aggressions of the odious "slave aristocracy." They are all masters of that species of cant, which still passes current in that benighted region. At the close of the exercises, a resolution was offered endorsing the Union State ticket, and after an unavailing attempt to stifle its consideration on the ground that the meeting was purely local, the resolution was put to vote, and met with a prompt and emphatic negative! What is the matter with the straight-out Republicans? Are they disgusted with the milk and water resolutions passed by the mongrel convention, because they do not smack strongly enough of the African, or are they outraged at an alliance with the detestable "Americans?" Wilnot, who thought this meeting of sufficient importance to desert the bench in order that it might be graced with his presence, must certainly have the most fraternal and affectionate recollection of the straight-out Americans. Is this treason? Can any one explain?

## Not well Pleased.

The Republicans of Tioga county, says the Agitator, are not satisfied with the "neutral" character of the platform of the late mongrel Convention at Harrisingburg. That paper "pitches in" as follows:

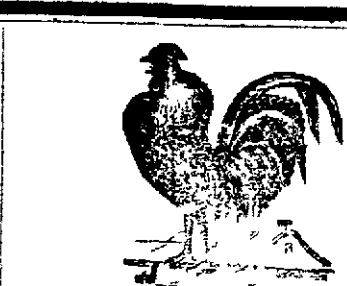
"Some time since we took occasion to say to our fusion contemporaries that the Convention would not dare to deal with living questions. Look at that platform; read it carefully; weigh it; analyze it; tell us—what relationship does it hold to the Philadelphia Platform? Is it child, grandchild, stepchild, cousin, or cousin-in-law? Neither.—Does it affirm the full power of Congress to prohibit in the Territories 'those twin relics of barbarism—Polygamy and Slavery?' Does it denounce the invasion of personal and State Rights by the Dred Scott Decision? Does it deal vigorously with one leading question at issue? Neither. It is negatively Republican and positively mild—clever—harmless. It might do as a toy for political babies, but it will not hold up the weight of a great party. It won't do, gentlemen. Extract the essence of Plinagan and there would be nothing mentionable left. You had better make another effort—remember, however, that not the power of a thousand 'Union Conventions' can lend the freemen of the Northern Tier one inch from the standard planted in 1856. Tioga will endeavor to preserve her integrity—leaving the State to cipher out its political salvation."

## The People's Ticket.

The opposition leaders and some of their papers, says the Daily Herald, are laboring earnestly and diligently to create the impression that the nominations of their late State Convention have been received with enthusiasm.—This may be the case, apparently, among the class named, but we deny that such is the truth among the people. The politicians and a certain portion of the press can always be driven into measures of seeming friendship in events of this kind, but the stout, strong, all powerful voice of the people can never be drowned, and they will not be misled on this occasion. There is deep seated enmity in some of the strongest holds of our political enemies, against the renegade nominees of the late Convention, and the election eve of October will demonstrate in a more striking manner than a thunder shock, that candid, conservative feeling in this State which has, and always, we believe, will condemn every new sectional feature that arises.

## The Franklin Railroad.

Another sale of the Pennsylvania portion of the Franklin Railroad is announced to take place in Chambersburg, on Friday, the 20th instant, the late purchaser having failed to comply with the provisions of the act of Assembly.



Democracy Triumphant!

Another Loud Cry, Chapman!

## MISSOURI ELECTION.—The St.

Louis papers report the defeat of Mr. Blair, Black Republican, for Congress, in the St. Louis district. Mr. Barret, Democrat, beats him about 700!!!—This is a Democratic gain of a member.

At the last election the vote stood Blair, Free State, 6,035; Kennett, Know Nothing, 5,549; Reynolds, Democrat, 2,181. St. Louis county now elects the whole Democratic ticket by about 500 majority!!!

The Democrats have carried the State handsomely, securing nearly every Congressman.

## KENTUCKY.—The returns from

Kentucky indicate that the State has gone largely for the Democrats—being a perfect sweep!

These returns show that the people laugh to scorn the preposterously false charges of extravagance and prodigality hatched up by the opposition against Mr. Buchanan's administration.

HIP, HIP, HURRAH!!!

## Not True.

The Baltimore American says:—It is reported that the Administration at Washington have given the contract for the iron pipes for the new water-works in the Federal Capitol to a firm in Scotland; and then adds that the Fishkill Standard learns the fact from a gentleman in the vicinity of that town. Let the report come whence it may, it is entirely false. The contract for the pipes in question is Mr. Lawrence Myers, of Philadelphia. The editors of the American well know, however, that the contract for these pipes is awarded to the lowest bidder, after proposals have been advertised for, and were the report it gives currency to correct, no censure could rightfully rest with the Department of the Government by whom the awards are made.—Wash Star.

## Simon Cameron Repudiated at Home.

It seems that the nomination of honest Simon "wig-wag" for the next Presidency was too great a burlesque even for his own immediate neighbors and political friends to swallow. The late Black Republican convention, in Dauphin county, refused to endorse his recommendation as a candidate for the next Presidency, and the resolution had to be essentially altered and modified before it could be passed. It merely approved of his course in Congress.—Simon's stock in trade is getting a hundred per cent. below par.

## The Norfolk (Va.) Argus, in speaking

of the bribe which the N. Y. Herald must have received to eulogize this notorious individual, says:

"But Mr. Cameron should be more prudent; he is throwing his money away; he can never be nominated by Bennett's influence, and if he were, he cannot buy himself into the Presidency, as he did into the Senate."

"Let him be nominated and we will show up some of his corruption in connection with our Navy Yard. If walls had tongues as well as ears, those of the Gosport Iron Works could make startling disclosures about Simon Cameron's honesty."

## Turncoats for the Sake of Office.

It must be a source of peculiar satisfaction to those who for long years have persistently, if not consistently and wisely, opposed the National Democracy, to observe the avidity with which the Black Republicans seek to reward the few recruits from the Democratic ranks, who have joined their hybrid organization. Those who have borne the burthen and heat of the day in opposing the Democracy, are compelled to stand aside to give place and position to every renegade who chances to be kicked out of our ranks as unsound. To have been a Democrat and to have deserted from the ranks of that party, is a sufficient recommendation for Black Republican honors. It must, indeed, be a bitter pill to the Old Line Whigs, the Anti-Masons, and the Straight Americans, to see such men as Gov. Reeder occupying the chief seat in their State Convention and such a man as John M. Read receiving his chief nomination. These men who have had a temporary prominence in the Democratic party, have "with all their imperfections upon their heads," been warmly welcomed and most highly honored by those who have all their lives opposed them. The picture is a strange one, which the opposition party presents. Not only upon their State ticket, but upon every many of the county tickets throughout the State, we find renegade Democrats adopted as Republican leaders. Our party is glad to be clear of these men. In the game of politics, they have long been in the "nine holes," where "honors don't count," and they have made a last desperate play to "secure the game." They will be beaten, for the people—the rank and file of the National Democratic party—have long known that this kind of men were influenced by ambition for personal position and desire for office emoluments alone, and this fall, will by an united vote for the Democratic ticket give these office seeking renegades the reward they merit. If the opposition monkey intends to make use of the Democratic voters as a cat's paw to poke the official "cheese" out of the fire, he will be most beautifully singed in the operation.—Pitt Post.

## The Oxygenated Bitters, aside

from their being the best remedy which medical science and research have discovered for the cure of Dyspepsia, is an irrefragable cure for scurvy. No vessel should go to sea without a supply of this boon to the sea-faring man.

## The Atlantic Cable Successfully Laid!

A telegraphic dispatch from St. John's, Newfoundland, states that the U. S. steamer Niagara arrived at Trinity Bay on Wednesday last, with the great news of the success of the Atlantic telegraph enterprise. The cable has been successfully laid, and the signals have been perfectly transmitted throughout the voyage.

The Niagara and Agamemnon met in mid ocean on the 28th ult., and spliced the cable on the 29th—then separated, the former for Trinity Bay, and the latter for Valentia, Ireland. The machinery for paying out the cable worked most satisfactorily, and it was not stopped a single moment. Dispatches have probably ere this passed between President Buchanan and the Queen of England.

The news of the success of the enterprise has been received with lively demonstrations all over the country—firing of cannon, ringing of bells, &c.

What will not human ingenuity accomplish!

## Military Law.

Adjutant General Wilson has issued a circular to the military of the Commonwealth, in which he explains the effects of the military law, and refutes the ideas expressed by many newspapers, that the volunteer system will involve the State in debt. He says that under the law, each county forms a brigade, and each brigade must support its own military organization from the military tax raised in it. The State Treasury has, therefore, nothing to do with paying military expenses, except so far as the expenses proper of the Adjutant General's department are concerned.—He expresses the opinion that the surplus from the military fund in the several brigades, after paying the expenses of the volunteer companies within their bounds, will be quite a handsome item for the sinking fund, and assist in paying the public debt of the Commonwealth.

Military Expenses.—"The military fund in the State Treasury is responsible for no military expenses except those of the Adjutant General, General Staff, military storekeepers, repairs of arsenal and repairs of arms, &c.

If the military fund in any county is not sufficient for the payment of the expenses of the brigade, the county Treasurer will make a pro rata division among the several companies.

No officer whatever, in any division or brigade, has any authority to make expenses which shall in any event be chargeable to the State.

The county treasurers will be careful and observe the law, in making payments, and are directed—

1. To pay no military expenses unless on the order of the Board of Auditors, as directed by Act of Assembly, April 21, 1858.

2. The salaries of Brigade Inspectors will not be paid until the close of the military year, being the last day of December in each year; if paid before, and the said Inspectors have not made their proper returns to this office, the treasurers do so at their own risk.—The law requires this salary not to be paid until notice is given to treasurers by the Adjutant General.

The Brigade Board of Auditors will observe a proper economy in the expenses of their brigade, and pass no bills that are in any way exorbitant.

All military officers are enjoined to take special care that the proper assessments are made, and all the military taxes collected.

All collectors and treasurers will be held to a strict account, under the law in relation to the collection of military fines and taxes."

## Starting News from the Border.

We are advised that official information was received at Jefferson yesterday, that the effect that Montgomery's band of desperadoes have again crossed the border, and, besides other depredations committed on the property of our citizens in Bates and Vernon counties, have killed three citizens—pro-slavery men—one of them named Pope, near Fayetteville, for no other or better reason than they were supposed to be pro-slavery men, and endeavored to protect their property. The excitement in those counties is represented as intense, and for aught we can see, State aid will be necessary to suppress the marauding villains, and protect the persons and property of our citizens. We have the news from an undoubted source, and are informed that it came in such a shape as to call for an immediate meeting of the Governor's advisers.—St. Louis Republican, July 27.

## The Cost of Reaching the Fraser River

Mines.—A letter to the New York Journal of Commerce states that the price of passage by the steamer from San Francisco to Victoria, Bellingham Bay, &c., is on the average \$30 to \$40. Added to this \$20 or \$25 for river passage on the steamer Surprise, or by canoe to Fort Hope. It is fair to say, that a miner, to go from San Francisco to Fraser River mines, wants at least \$200 or \$250 cash to enable him successfully to reach the mines and to procure the requisite outfit.

## Witchcraft.—The Manitowoc (Mich.)

Herald states that the house of a farmer residing in the southwest part of that county, was burned to the ground recently, by a company of persons, under the belief that the occupants had bewitched all the cattle in the neighborhood.

## At the Fourth of July celebration

held at Lexington, the following toast was offered:—

"Hoops and Tight Pants.—The unqualified representatives of flannel extremes. May the charms of the ladies be as buoyant as their skirts, and may the gents never get as tight as their breeches."

## Curious Phenomenon.—A few days

ago, on the farm of the Hon. John G. Davis, near Montezuma, Ind., two large springs burst forth from the earth, and continued to throw off such volumes of water that large fields in the neighborhood have been covered with standing pools and ponds.

## Town & County Affairs.



## Delegate Meetings and County Convention.

The Democratic Standing Committee of Adams county met at the house of H. D. Watiles, in Gettysburg, on Saturday, the 24th of July inst., and on motion adopted, unanimously, the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Democratic voters of the several Boroughs and Townships of Adams county are requested to meet at their usual places of holding Delegate elections, on Saturday, the 21st day of August next, for the purpose of choosing Delegates to represent them in a County Convention to be held at the Court-house, in the Borough of Gettysburg, on the Monday following, (the 23d of August,) at 10 o'clock, A. M., to nominate a County Ticket, and transact such other business as may be necessary.—The Delegate elections to be open at 2 o'clock and close at 4 o'clock, P. M., in all the districts except the Borough of Gettysburg—in the latter the election to be held between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock, P. M.

## H. J. STAHL, Chm.

HENRY J. KERN, Sec'y.

July 20, 1858.

## For 25 Cents!

The Compiler will be furnished to campaign subscribers from the day of the County Convention until after the October Election, for TWENTY-FIVE CENTS, to be paid invariably in advance. The contest promises to be an interesting one, and a copy of The Compiler will be essential to keep the friends of the Democratic party "posted up." We shall watch the movements of the Opposition closely, and promptly expose their trickery.

A favorable opportunity for getting up clubs will be afforded on the day of the Democratic Delegate Elections, and the lists can be sent in Monday following. Will our friends in the different districts see to this, all the while remembering how important it is to "Spread the Documents!"

## August Court.

The August term of Court will commence on Monday next, and will doubtless attract large numbers of persons to town. There will be several interesting suits to listen to, and then there will be the work on the new Court House to look at, with lots of other handsome town improvements, of different kinds—not forgetting Ever Green Cemetery, which never appeared to better advantage, and will well repay a walk to it. Admission is free, and all are welcome to visit, so they only keep "hands off" of flowers, shrubbery, trees, toms, &c.

A large portion of the crowd to be here on Monday next—so we are led to anticipate—will be made up of our delinquent subscribers, who intend coming expressly to settle their accounts with us. If sickness or other unavoidable circumstance should prevent any of them from coming, they can very easily send in what they owe us along with those who are determined to come and pay us during Court week, if they have to swim all the creeks in the county to get here. Relief to the financial affairs of the town may then be looked for, and particularly in that part of the town occupied by us.

Money may be sent by mail at our risk. Ask the Postmaster to mail it for you, and your receipt will be sent in your next paper. Postage stamps may be sent for parts of a dollar.

## Have You a Farm for Sale?

Or business, or anything else, to make known to the public? If you have, BEAR IN MIND that the circulation of The Compiler is, by hundreds, the largest of any paper published in the county!—What the advertising rates are no higher.

## Fruit—A Failure.

The fruit crop of this county, we regret to say, is almost an entire failure—particularly so with apples and peaches. In York, Cumberland and other counties, a similar failure is noted.

During the past week, we were favored with most refreshing showers, which has been of great benefit to the corn crop.

## Rev. J. R. KRISER, of Philadelphia,

recently chosen Pastor of St. James's Lutheran Congregation of this place, has removed here with his family and entered upon his pastoral duties.

Mr. Wm. REEVER has sold his Grocery and Provision Store to Messrs. JACOB BENNER and DANIEL SNYDER, who are making arrangements to carry on the business on an enlarged scale. The new firm are now laying in a stock of new Goods in the city.

It will not do to say that the White Mercur Potato is "running out."

Mr. JACOB HENNER, on Marsh creek, contributed several "measles" to the "stores" a few days ago, as fine as any ever before placed upon our table. He has our thanks.

A green Bean two feet in length may be set down as decidedly long.—Such a one was sent to our office last week by Mrs. JOSEPH SHAFER, of Cumberland township. Can anybody beat it?

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